

Town and County.

—Grim winter continues to hold us in its unrelenting grasp.

—George F. Blair is offering for sale his fertile little farm just west of the village. Ad elsewhere.

—Some of the contractors on the star mail routes should now be figuring just how much money they will lose on their respective routes.

—The court calander is in the hands of the job printer, but it occurs to us that in these columns would have been the proper place for it. But we are not the judge.

—Mr. Jesse F. Robbins and family who, for the past year, have lived on the farm of Mr. H. J. Hardin, moved back to his residence in East Boone last Monday.

—The government has re-opened for bids the star route mail line from Triplett to Boone; all bids to be in Washington by 4, p. m., on April 4.

—Little Miss Edna Waters who has suffered greatly with rheumatism, or some kindred disease, of late is, we are glad to note, much better and able to be up.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Moore have returned from their bridal trip and will be at home to their friends at the Blair Hotel until they build, plans for which being already under way.

—Despite the mud and slush, a considerable crowd of people attended commissioners' court on Monday, a goodly number of whom gave the Democrat valuable and pleasant calls.

—Prof. John E. Brown, who closed a most successful term of school at Walnut Grove Institute, on Friday was a week-ago, was a pleasant visitor in the village Monday and Tuesday.

—Mr. B. T. Brannock attended the Republican State Convention at Raleigh last week, and the Congressional Convention at Tallahassee, returning with Chairman Linney Sunday afternoon.

—Regular communication of O. E. S., at the Masonic Hall Friday afternoon at 1:30. It is desired that every member be present, as very important business is to be transacted.

—Rev. and Mrs. J. Norton Atkins, of Foscoe, who have been spending some weeks in New York City, have returned to their home. Mr. Atkins will hold services and preach in St. Luke's church in Boone at 11, a. m., next Sunday.

—Mr. James L. Winkler had the misfortune last week to lose a valuable mare, thereby leaving him without a team. But on Tuesday he was seen passing through leading a handsome span of mules, proving that a little thing like the death of a horse doesn't bother Jim long.

—The Lenoir News says that Miss Lilly Jones, one of the most energetic, enterprising and successful farmers of the Happy Valley, has started a subscription to rebuild the Chapel of Rest, the beautiful little church on the Patterson School property, that was burned on February 14th.

—Mr. L. L. Taylor of Route 1, by an awkward step got a right serious fall on last Monday, and as a result got an ugly wound on his lip—not serious, but for some time the flow of blood was most profuse, and before it could be checked, the patient was considerably weakened. He is now all right again.

—The revival meeting which continued for two weeks in the court house came to a close last Sunday evening, the result, in part, being the addition of six members to the Baptist church and ten to the Methodist church. A number of those who professed faith in Christ openly have not, as yet, connected themselves with any church. There has been, we trust, a spiritual awakening in this section that will continue to widen until much greater good for the Master's kingdom will be accomplished.

—On Sunday last Mrs. Roy M. Brown, of East Boone, left for the State Hospital for tuberculosis at Sanatorium, N. C., for treatment. As the disease is in its incipency it is hoped and believed that it will yield to the treatment in that institution and that the popular lady will, ere long, return to her home entirely recovered from the symptoms that have developed.

—Rev. John Carlton, who for the past two and a half years, has owned property in Boone and made his home here, on Tuesday morning last left for Montana, Chinook, that State, being his objective point, where he thinks of purchasing lands, if that section suits him, if not he will try elsewhere. Mrs. Carlton and the children will remain at the Cricher Hotel and will join him, when he locates a home to his liking. Every one who speaks of the good man's departure expresses sorrow, as the loss of such a man as he means much to a village.

—Rev. Mr. Adams, the newly elected Baptist pastor, will begin his regular work in Watauga next Sunday, his first appointment being in Boone at the 11 o'clock hour. His appointments, as we understand them for the churches to which he has been called, are as follows: Blowing Rock the first Sunday in each month; Boone the second and fourth Sundays, and Cove Creek the third Sunday. He is a scholarly and forceful speaker, though mild and persuasive, and the people here, of all denominations, are highly pleased with him.

—Little Bessie, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stokes, who reside on the State farm, after an illness of only three days, died on Tuesday afternoon, bowel trouble being the cause of her death. The little form was laid to rest beneath the snow in the town cemetery this Wednesday evening, the funeral being conducted by Pastor D. P. Waters. Little Bessie, we are told, was a precocious child, and not only fairly idolized by her devoted parents, but much-loved by all who knew her. We sympathize deeply with Mr. and Mrs. Stokes in their great sorrow.

—Mr. John L. Council, a former Wataugan, was married on the 16th ultimo to Miss Alston Joy Groves, at Sebastian, Fla. and are now at home at Buell, that State. Mr. Council, for several years after he left his native county, held a lucrative position in the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue at Statesville, and invested his money in Florida where he has been living for two or more years. He is a fine business man, and we trust his last deal will be the best one ever, and we feel sure that it will so prove. Here, John, are congratulations for you and your bonny bride of "The Land of Flowers."

—Mr. T. F. Mast, of Valle Crucis, was in to see us Monday, and talked most interestingly of his extended western trip which he and Mrs. Mast took in the late fall and early winter, returning to their home on New Year's eve. They not only visited the two great California fairs, but were callers at the homes of many ex-Wataugans now living in Washington and other western states, and says, in the main, they are all prospering. He says the visit every minute of it, was fully enjoyed by him and his wife, and it will ever be a pleasure to them to recall the many kindnesses extended to them by their friends and relatives in the west, whom they had not seen for years.

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—Friend Jim Pearson, of Blowing Rock, was down the latter part of the week, and, although he came to bring his good wife to Dr. Jones for treatment, he did not fail to call on the Democrat long enough to square himself on the books and chip in a wheel for another year's subscription.

Odd Fellows Convention.

We will hold a convention of the 17th district, I. O. O. F., with Grandfather Lodge at Valle Crucis on the 7th and 8th of April, opening at 2, p. m. This district is composed of Watauga and Avery counties.

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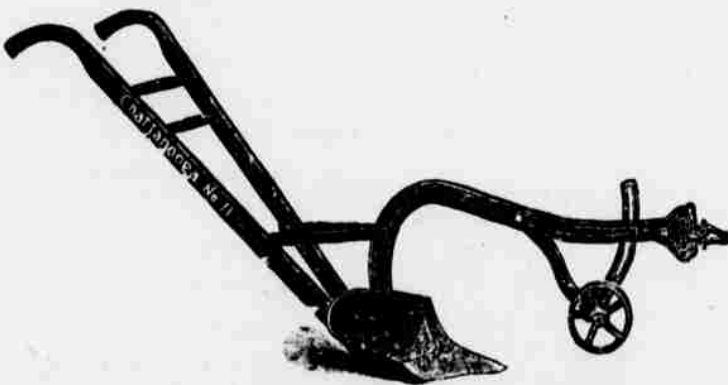
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